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PRESS RELEASE

FBI ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS MICHAEL S. WELCH VISIT TO BANGLADESH

DHAKA, JANUARY 30 -- Michael S. Welch, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Assistant Director for International Operations, was in Dhaka this week to meet with government and law enforcement officials and discuss ongoing collaborative efforts to counter transnational crime and terrorism. During his visit, Mr. Welch met with Home Minister Mohiuddin Khan Alamgir and Inspector General of Police Hassan Mahmood Khandaker, among other officials.

The FBI and its counterpart Bangladesh law enforcement agencies maintain strong ties in the fight against global criminal networks and have a strong record of engagement in joint training and capacity-building efforts.

To further underscore the FBI's commitment to partnering with the people of Bangladesh and promote the rule of law, Assistant Director Welch discussed plans for the FBI to soon post a permanent representative in Dhaka, who will continue efforts to assist Bangladeshi authorities in joint investigative endeavors and subject matter expert exchanges.

The FBI currently maintains a Legal Attaché representative in more than 75 cities around the world, working at the invitation of the partner country to promote rule of law efforts. To learn more about the FBI, please visit <http://www.fbi.gov>.

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